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DX NEWS

S21ZI Bangladesh -update by Karl G0SK June 13

'Day 4 and I'm having a blast! Just over 1600 calls in the log. I'm no expert and a single radio, single op. The CW pileups are fantastic as are the FT8 ones. Signals are not that strong from EU but I'm trying my best to work everyone. Please spread out a bit! If calling on FT8 normal mode, please don't send your grid square – I don't need it and it speeds things up. Still constant power cuts but it's something I'm learning to live with. Thank you to everyone who has worked me, and sent me messages and emails, it's very much appreciated. Hope to get many more in the log. I'll be very sad to leave this wonderful place.'

FT4GL Glorioso Islands -update via https://ft4gl.blogspot.com/

As you know, Marek is active in his free time which means during the day but also in the evening, and has been for two nights in particular. There is no hotel with on-site home service; the rooms are not numerous and you have to share them with other occupants. Marek installed an outdoor station so as not to disturb his colleague in his sleep who occupies the usual room. In order to give the chance to NA who have an opening at night in the direction of Glorieuse, he takes his sleep capital for YOUR PLEASURE, before starting a day of work.

Marek has just communicated the two days he wishes to dedicate to ATNO. It is for people who HAVE NEVER CONTACTED FT4GL — on **Friday, June 14** and **Sunday, June 16 from 11 a.m. UTC.**. Thanks to the stations who already made the QSO to play the game and give the LITTLE PISTOLs a chance. If this turns into a nightmare, blame the troublemakers and not Marek who wants to give everyone a chance.



FW7JV Wallis & Futuna -update by AA7JV

'We will be challenged by both the season (mainly on the low bands) and FWS antenna restrictions. Ahead of Jarvis DXpedition we want to do as much testing as possible. We have new antennas and an expanded remote operator network. Both need testing. This will also give DXers an opportunity to test their stations (and perhaps put a new one in their log.) During **FW7JV** we will be testing low band antennas on 160, 80 and 40. As well as some testing of a new 40/20m antenna.'

HF0PI Peter I Island -info

The following recently appeared on QRZ.com under the callsign HFOPI

Let's dispel the myth that Peter I Island is 'Norwegian', that only 3Y0 licences can be used there and landing permit can only be given out by Norwegian Polar Institute. None of this is correct. Peter I Island is *NOT* Norwegian territory.

At latitude of almost 69 Degrees South, Peter I Island lies well inside the Antarctic Treaty Zone and as such is international territory; same as South Shetlands, South Orkneys and all other Antarctic lands & ice shelves below 60 South Latitude. Norway can maybe claim the Island for itself, but most countries (including Argentina, Chile, most of Europe, Poland, Russia & the USA) do not even acknowledge or recognize this claim. 3Y0 callsigns and NPI entry permits are therefore not mandatory or exclusive.

Full story https://www.dx-world.net/hf0pi-peter-1-island/



DXCC

This week on air

This can change daily, please visit https://www.dx-world.net/ for updates.

5H, TANZANIA Charles, NK80 will be active as 5H3DX between June 18 and June 30. It's primarily a business trip for the NGO so operations will be limited to CW and FT4/8. *'I will go to fox-hound mode on FT8 this trip to give more opportunities for folks to get into the log. Apologies to any SSB ops. Unless propagation is exceptional, I will not be using a mic. Power is limited to 100 watts in Tanzania and without better antennnas, it's almost impossible to run a pile-up on sideband.'*

5U, NIGER Elvira, IV3FSG is operating as 5U5K until June 20. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB, FT4/8, RTTY and perhaps some CW. QSL via IK2DUW direct.

8Q, MALDIVES Felix, DL6JF will be operating from Helengeli as 8Q7JF between June 16 and June 29. Operation in 'holiday-style' using CW and digi. QSL via DM5JBN, LoTW.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE Pedro, CT7AHV is once again operating as C91AHV until June 15. Operation on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. Pedro hopes to livestream on both Club Log and You Tube. QSL via H/c, LoTW. Operation schedule:

From 4th to 7th June FT8 on 10/15/20/40m.

On 8th I will do a POTA activation from reference MZ-0015 – Lubombo Park – located in South of Mozambique.

From 13th June to 15th I will operate on 6m on CW, SSB and FT8.

16th June will be disassemble the antennas.

CU, AZORES Michal, OK1AA will be operating as CT8/call between June 18 and June 27. Operation on 40, 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using mainly FT8 with some SSB. https://grz.com/db/ok1aa

E5, COOK ISL Bob, ZL1RS is active until June 25 as E51EME. Operation primarily on 6 meter and perhaps 10 meter. The stations is a 6 meter station with 2x3el Yagi stack (FT8 and Q65-60A) and a 10 meter station QRP with a wire antenna. QSL via LoTW or via ZL1RS.

FS, ST MARTIN Look once again for FS/K9EL until June 19. Operation in 'holiday-style' with focus on 6 meter when its open and limited activity on other bands. QSL via K9EL, Club Log, LoTW.

FT/G GLORIOSO ISL Mark, FH4VVK is active from Grande Glorieuse, Glorioso Islands as FT4GL until June 19. Support team: F5IRO, F8CRS, F5RQQ. QSL via F4FTV. Check QRZ.com for further updates. This one-man operation is carried out in parallel with Marek's professional activities. QSL via F4FTV (direct or bureau); full LoTW upload will follow six months after the end of the DXpedition. FT4GL

LX, LUXEMBOURG A Belgian team with ON6ZV, ON6OM, ON7EG and ON3CC will be active in 'holiday-style' as LX/ON4IPA and as LX/OO6P between June 15 and June 21. Operation on HF using SSB and digi. The operators are member of the International Police Association radio club, all the QSO's are valid for the IPA awards.

S2, BANGLADESH Karl, G0SK is active as S21ZI for a couple of days. '4It would not have been possible without the tireless efforts of Manjur S21AM, who has been my point of contact with the Bangladesh Licensing Department. My licence will be valid for 7 days only and I plan to operate as much as possible on 10, 12, 15,17, 20 and 40m. Unfortunately, I cant take antennas for any other bands. I will operate CW/FT8 only, sorry but I'm not an SSB op, neither am I a high speed op so please don't call me at 40wpm. Please look out for me on the clusters. I will listen up on CW (1-5), and fox/hound mode on FT8.' QSL via M0OXO OQRS

Karl as S21ZI



SV9, CRETE Erwin, DK5EW is QRV as SV8/call until June 20. Operation on 6 and 4 meter from grid KM35 and KM15. QSL via LoTW or via home call direct.

T8, PALAU Nobu, JA0JHQ will once again be active as T88PB during June 14-17. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW and SSB. An entry in the All Asian DX CW contest is included. QSL via home call.

TF, ICELAND John, AE5X is operating as TF/call until June 19. QRV from 20 to 10 meter using CW. QSL via LoTW.

TR, GABON Roland, F8AN is back again in Gabon as TR8CR until June 30 or maybe longer. QSL via F6AJA bureau.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL Yuris, YL2GM will be active as VK9LA between June 14 and June 24. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via YL2GN, Club Log, LoTW. Updates will be posted to https://lral.lv/vk9la/index.html. After Lord Howe, Yuris is expected to be QRV as K8K from American Samoa for another week between 26 June and 9 July. The Northern California DX Foundation has granted its financial support to Juris ("one of the most prolific DXpeditioners today"), as "wherever he goes with a radio, he can be counted upon to create quite a commotion on the bands".

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dave, W9DR will be active as VP2V/call between June 19 and June 25. Activity on 6 meter only using FT8, CW and SSB. QSL via home call direct.

Z3, MACEDONIA Vlado, ZS6MG will be active as Z3/call during his spare time. Operation from 60 to 6 meter with perhaps some POTA references.

ZD7, ST HELENA Recently arrived on St Helena island are Andy, 5Z4VJ (ZD7VJ) and Chriz, ZS6EZ (ZD7EZ). They are pictured below with island resident Derek ZD7CTO. So far, ZD7EZ has been active briefly on 20m CW. Chris wrote: 'I briefly operated from ZD7CTO's great location on a one-day official visit to St Helena. ZD7VJ (G3AB and 5Z4VJ) was also visiting Derek at the time. Unfortunately, conditions were not great. I will upload to LoTW ASAP (right now, it's down). If you really, desperately need a paper QSL, email me first. Our postal service is inoperative for all practical purposes.'





Coming up soon

FW, WALLIS & FUTUNA Following on from his recent T32JV activity, and prior to the upcoming N5J Jarvis Island DXpedition, look for George AA7JV to be active as FW7JV from Wallis & Futuna during June 24-30, 2024. Main focus on 160M and 80M in preparation for N5J.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA Take, JG8NQJ expects to be back to the weather station around June 20. Normally he stays for 3 months and is QRV during his spare time as call/JD1. Operation using CW and some FT8. QSL via JA8CJY direct or via JG8NQJ bureau, LoTW.

VP5, TURKS AND CAICOS Adrian, AA5UK will be QRV as VP5/call between June 23 and July 5. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 6 meter using mostly FT8, RTTY, SSB and Olivia. https://www.grz.com/db/VP5/AA5UK

IOTA

This week on air

AFRICA

AF-005 Santiago Isl Harald DF2WO / D44TWO (FT8 and CW) and Franz DG9KAN / D44KAN (SSB) are is once again active until June 20. Operation mainly on 6 meter using FT8 and CW on all bands. https://www.grz.com/db/D44TWO

<u>ASIA</u>

AS-079 Miyako Isl Take, JS6RRR (also JI3DST/6, JJ5RBH/6 & JR8YLY/6) is active from Miyakojima AS-079 until June 26. QRV on 160-6m, SSB/CW/FT8 using the various calls mentioned on different modes. Participation in the CQ WPX CW contest as JS6RRR. All QSL info on QRZ.com.

EUROPE

EU-017 Salina Isl Francesco, IK6QON will be active as ID9/call during June 15-22. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF using a multiband antenna with 100w. QSL via IZ6BR.

EU-028 Elba Domenico, IK1MNF is operating as call/IA5 until end September. QRV from 20 to 6 meter using SSB. Log upload to Club Log and LoTW. QSL via home call.

NORTH AMERICA

NA trip by Andy AA5JF

NA-136 Outer Thimble Island June 15, 1400Z to 2000Z. POTA US-0228

NA-148 Georges Island June 16, 1500Z-1830Z, POTA US-2421

NA-046 Martha's Vineyard June 19, 1400Z-2100Z, POTA US-4696 and/or US-11636 'I'll be mostly CW, but will use FT8 on NA-139 and NA-140 for sure (and definitely NO FT8 at NA-136 and NA-148, where I will log on paper). Plus at all the POTA sites I will be on SSB, as that is where the bulk of the POTA operators are.'

NA-151 Ammassalik Isl Bo, OZ1DJJ is once again active as OX3LX until June 15. Operation during his spare time using SSB and FT8. QSL via OZ0J, log upload to LoTW and Club Log.

OCEANIA

OC-088 Borneo 9M1Z is the callsign of a Malaysian DXpedition team planning to be active from Sabah (9M6) & Sarawak (9M8) until June 30. This particular activity is with a view to staging a full-scale DXpediton to the Spratly islands later in 2025 or 2026 – note Pulau Layang Layang resort is currently closed longterm for maintenance. 9M1Z is QRV from 80 to 6 meter using SSB, CW & FT8. QSL via Club Log, OQRZ and LoTW.

Coming up soon

ASIA

AS-105 Yonghung Isl A 23-man team will be active as 6M6M during June 22-23. Primarily QRV on 6m using QRO and an 8 element LFA at 42m height. Focus on CW & SSB with some FT8. Grid: PM37fg. QSL via LoTW, bureau / direct via DS2GWM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

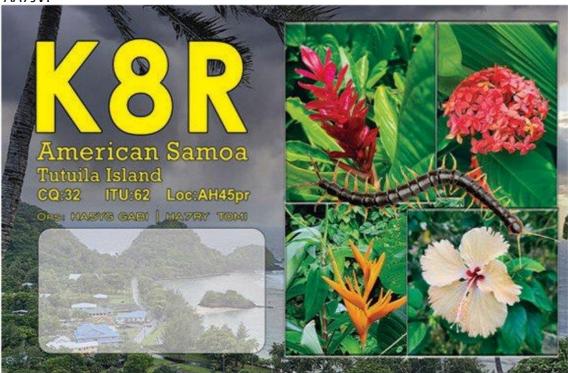
3B9, RODRIGUES ISL Kazu, M0CFW will once again be QRV as 3B9KW and as 3B9/call outside the contests. QRV during the CQWW SSB contest (Oct 26-27) and CQWW CW contest (Nov 23-24). Before and after the contest as 3B9/call -> October 20-30 and again November 17-27. QSL via LoTW.

7Q, MALAWI A team with EA7FTR, CT1BOL, 7Q6M and 7Q7CT will be operating as 7Q7MW during the last week of October. An entry in the CQWW SSB contest is included. More to follow. **FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Yann, F1SMB will once again be QRV as FO/call between August 15 and September 15. Operation on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW. **HC8, GALAPAGOS ISL** A large team will be active as HD8G between April 18 and April 27, 2025. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via M0URX OQRS, LoTW.

https://hd8q.com/

KHO, MARIANA ISL Tom, KCOW will once again be active as KHO/call on 160 meter starting October. 'I have not been active on Top Band Since 2021. Antenna is a monoband 160 Meter Dipole & 1kW. This new antenna is a BIG improvement over the former 160 Meter antenna which was used to make almost 1,000 Top Band QSOs in 2021.'

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA From July 10 – 25, look for **K8R** to again be active from American Samoa, primarily testing out all systems on all bands; CW, SSB and FT8 ahead of the Jarvis Island DXpedition. Also participation in the IARU contest. Actual signal reports will be appreciated, says George AA7JV.



ZC4, CYPRUS SBA Adrian, G0KOM will once again be QRV as ZC4MK from Melanda Beach during July 10-17. He plans to be active on 6 meter this time.

THE REMINDERS

Caribbean trip by Eric GM5RDX

My 2024 Caribbean Islands DXpedition will see me operating from both the Dutch and French sides of St Maarten as PJ7/GM5RDX and FS/GM5RDX. Additionally, I'll be entering the IOTA contest from Anguilla (VP2EGM) and then spending a few days on St Kitts (V4/G5RDX). This trip will take place during the last two weeks of July.



Caribbean DXpedition













18th to 31st July 2024 Operated by Eric GM5RDX



African tour by Pista HA5AO

Pista, HA5AO – celebrating 50 years anniversary of his HAM license – informs DX-World that he will be active from four African countries in September/October 2024. The operating sites are within 40-80 km circle of the common borders of Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana and Namibia. Ten days of operation can be expected from each country on CW, SSB, and FT8 from 80m up to 6m. The licenses are in hand, the QTHs are booked. He will use K3S and FT-710 transceivers with KPA 500 power amplifier. The antenna is a DX Commander vertical for 40-6m bands and multi-band inverted-V (80m-6m) on a 12m HD Spider pole, donated by Spiderbeam. The planned schedule is as follows,

- 03-13 September, Zimbabwe, Zambezi National Park as **Z22AO**, QRA: KH21ww
- 14-23 September, Zambia, Victoria Falls region as **9J2AO**, QRA: KH22wc
- 24 Sept-04 October, Botswana, Chobe National Park as A25AO, QRA: KH22oc
- 05-14 October, Namibia, Katima Mulilo region as V5/HA5AO, QRA: KH22dm
- Other details, QSL policy and OQRS can be found here.
- **3A, MONACO** Col, MM0NDX and Steve, MM0SAJ will again be active from Monaco during September 5-9 as 3A/MM0NDX and 3A/MM0SAJ. QRV on various bands and modes. Main focus likely to be on low bands in their evening and 6m if propagation permits. QSL both calls to EB7DX (LoTW also).
- **3D2/R, ROTUMA ISL** The Pacific Islands DXpedition Group (PIDXG) announces a team with Gregg, W6IZT; Hal, W8HC; Nathan, K4NHW and others will operate from Rotuma as 3D2Z between November 15 and December 4. Preliminary plans call for the team to operate locally with 3 stations in addition to 2 of Gregg's NexGenRiBs (remote radio systems) that proved successful during the recent CB0ZEW DXpedition at Robinson Crusoe Island (Juan Fernandez). The team will also participate in the CQWW CW Contest using a different callsign from the DXpedition. Necessary permits and licensing has been secured in addition to confirmed accommodations for the DXpedtion's location on the island's north coast.
- **4W, TIMOR LESTE** Alan, VK2MET/VK1AO will once again be active as 4W/VK1AO from Dili during August 17-30. Operation mainly from 40 to 12 meter using CW and FT8 in QRP power. QSL via home call, LoTW, Club Log.
- **5N, NIGERIA** The Rebel DX Group are off to Abuja, Nigeria after their Tuvalu DXpedition. They have requested the callsign 5N5N. Three ops with up to 10 stations; 160-6m, mainly CW & FT8. Dates will be announced soon.
- **5W, SAMOA** Pete, ZL4TE will be QRV as 5W0TE from October 3 until October 10. 'Full credit to my XYL, she had no objection to my bringing the Icom 705. Given it is our silver wedding anniversary trip, I think she may be a keeper! I hope to operate CW, FT8 and D-STAR, holiday style. In anticipation of this latest trip, I have joined POTA and WWFF. I intend to activate at least one of the parks (more if I get time). Our accomodation is a good distance from many of the parks. It is still a way off, but at the moment I am going to cut and test some elements for EFHW antenna. Once the weather warms up I will give them an airing at a local park. I'm also trying to acquaint myself with the WWFF / POTA software.'
- **60, SOMALIA** Look for 603T with Fabri IV3JPP, Paolo IV3DSH, Frank IZ8GCE, Maurizio IV3ZXQ and Mauro IV3AZV sometime 2024. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL information and more details on https://dxexplorer.net/
- **6Y, JAMAICA** Neil, G0RNU will once again be operating as 6Y/call between October 23 and November 6. Activity on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via home call.
- **8Q, MALDIVES** Christia, OE3DEC will be operating as 8Q7EC from South Male Atoll between July 1 and July 12. Operation in 'holiday-style' using SSB only on 20 meter. QSL via home call, bureau only.
- **8Q, MALDIVES** Look for Mariusz, SP5MDB from Vaavu Atoll as 8Q7SQ (dates TBA). Activity on 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.
- **9U, BURUNDI** Antonello, IK2DUW confirms there is a DXpedition in preparation, sponsorship is sought. More to follow.
- **A2, BOTSWANA** Look for Andreas DB8UX as A25UX between August 3 and August 9. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using low power FT8. QSL via LoTW.
- CY9, ST PAUL ISL The CY0S team, along with members of the previous CY9C DXpeditions, is pleased to announce their plans to go back to St Paul Island CY9 during August 26 and September 5. The larger, main island (Atlantic Cove site) is controlled by the Canadian Wildlife Service and is off-limits. DXpeditions can only be set up on the much smaller "Northeast" Island (Rock!). The CY9C team will once again have a helicopter available to access the Northeast Island as there is no dock or landing area for a boat. Much more information, including a website, will be available later this year and into 2024.



D4, CAPE VERDE Claudio, HB9OAU will be active from Sal Island as D44OA between October 24 and November 5. Operation in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via LoTW.

E5, COOK ISL Steve, ZL4CZ / E51CZZ and Steve, ZL2KE / E51KEE will be active from Rarotonga (OC-013) and Aitutaki (OC-083) during July 20 to August 6. QRV from 40 to 10 meter using mainly 20-15-10. Possibly 160 and 8 depending on QRN and interest from DXers. Holiday-style activity with XYLs. QSL via LoTW.

FG, GUADELOUPE Look for TO2X during the CQWW SSB contest (M5RIC, GW4XUM, K1XX and W1MD). Before and after the contest they will sign as FG/calls. TO2X via LoTW.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Tino VE2GCE, Mark VA2MM, Malcolm VE2DDZ, Jonathan VA2XZA, John VE2YNI and Vlad VA2AN will be active as TO8FP during August 10-22. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, digi and sats. QSL via Club Log.

FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON Once again, FP/KV1J will be operating between July 2 and July 16. An entry in the IARU contest is included. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call or LoTW.

FR, REUNION ISL Dates still to be confirmed, but look for Giovanni IZ2DPX as TO7PX. QRV from 40 to 6 meter using SSB & FT8 using fishing rod antenna. Operation in 'holiday-style'. QSL via IK2DUW.

FR, REUNION ISL Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be operating as TO7PX between July 8-14. Activity in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 6 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via IK2DUW.

FS, ST MARTIN Gregg, W6IZT and Hal, W8HC will be returning to Falaise des Oiseaux, St. Martin (FS) for a one week DX-cation from June 25 to July 2. They will be active 6m-40m with a K3S, KPA500, HF vertical and sloping dipole for HF and 5 element LFA yagi for 6m. Gregg will be taking one, and possibly two, of his NexGenRiBs following the successful debut and remote operation from Robinson Crusoe Island, CB0ZEW. Gregg says that tentative plans are to identify a suitable location for the RiB on the Dutch (PJ7) side of the island while operating simultaneously from the French (FS) side. More information to follow.

FY, FRENCH GUIANA Joe, OZ0J will be operating between December 20 and December 31 (call pending). Operation from 80 to 10 meter but depending on free space for antennas. QSL via Club Log OQRS (prefer), LoTW or H/C. He will operate on CW, SSB and FT8 (mostly Fox/Hound), but mostly FT8 because FY5FY and FY5KE are very active on CW, SSB and RTTY. Club Log Live Stream will be added if the Internet connection is stable. Website url to be added once callsign known.

J6, ST LUCIA Seth, N4XTT will be active as J6/call during August 10-17. Operation on 'holiday-style' from 40 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT4/8. QSL via home call and LoTW.

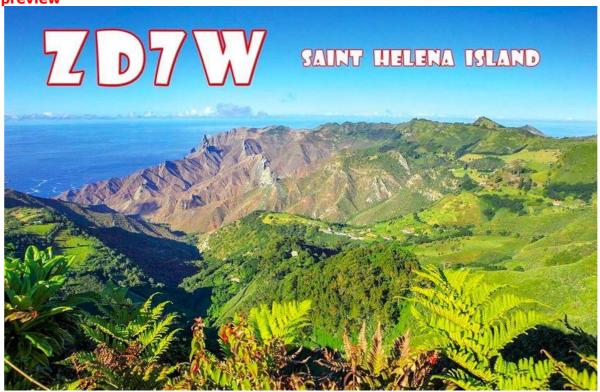
'I am also planning to activate POTA reference J6-0001, which hasn't been activated yet. This will be a part time operation (holiday style) using a 100w radio and a DX-Commander Expedition 40-10m vertical. Bands and modes: 40-10M; CW, SSB & FT8/FT4. I'm a youth op and looking forward to having fun on the island!'

J8, GRENADINES Brian, GW4DVB will once again be active as J88PI from Palm Island between

September 12 and September 21. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. DXpedition 2024 | gw4dvb-website (g4dvb.co.uk)

JW, SVALBARD Look for LA6VM, LA7XK and LA9DL as JW6VM, JW7XK and JW9DL between October 9-14. An entry in the Scandinavian Activity Contest SSB is included as JW5X. QSL via homecalls, JW5X via LA5X.

QSL preview



KH5, JARVIS ISL In March the Dateline DX Association was pleased to announce that it has received permission from the USFWS for a DXpedition to Jarvis Island National Wildlife Reserve this August. Jarvis is ranked nr. 18 on Clublog's global most wanted list. It is number 9 in Europe. In some EU countries Jarvis is ranked as high as second most wanted on phone and digial. Jarvis is ranked higher than Bouvet (16) in Europe. It is 450 miles from Palmyra Atoll and 1500 miles from Hawaii.

An experienced team of five consisting of George, AA7JV, Don, N1DG, Tomi, HA7RY, Adrian, KO8SCA, and Mike, KN4EEI, will install 6 RIB stations on Jarvis. The at-island team will be augmented by 24 remote operators from Asia, Europe and North America. All phone, 160 and 6 mtr operations will be done locally. The local ops will also operate CW and FT8 on all bands. The remote operators will operate on 80 to 10 meters using CW and FT8 modes. We are permitted 12 days of operation but the permit is good for the whole month of August to allow for weather issues

KH8, AMERICAN SAMOA A team with N5DD, W5MJ, K5PI and VE7KW is active as KH8T until September 16. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. https://www.kh8t.net/
V4, ST KITTS BJ, WA7WJR will be operating as V4/call between July 8 and July 12. Operation in 'holiday-style' with some Parks on the Air activations. QRV from 20 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via Club Log, LoTW.

V7, MARSHALL ISL Following their successful journey to Guyana under the callsign <u>8R7X</u>, the team is now setting their sights on a new destination in the Pacific region. Their next DXpedition will take them to the Marshall Islands, scheduled for February 2025.

Stay tuned for more details as they become available. Additionally, the team is in the process of launching a website, which will soon be accessible.

VK9L, LORD HOWE ISL Jeff, W7BRS will be active as VK2/call between July 20 and August 1. According to the Australian Communications and Media Authority's updated "Amateur Radio Call Sign Policy" [425DXN 1723], VK9 pre- fixed callsigns can be used only by operators located in an Aus- tralian External Territory other than the Antarctic. Lord Howe Island is part of New South Wales, hence the use of VK2/homecall. QSL via Club Log OQRS, LoTW.

VP2V, BRITISH VIRGIN ISL Dario, KP4DO will be operating from Tortola as VP2V/call. Dates not yet mentioned. More to follow.

VP6, PITCAIRN ISL Bill, GOVDE informs DX-World that he will be active as VP6WR during

September 5-15. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using vertical / wire antennas and PA. Modes: SSB & FT8, maybe some CW. QSL info to follow.

On the scene...The journey begins to VK9LA for Yuris YL2GM and XYL



VU4, ANDAMAN & NICOBAR DX-Adventure announces a DXpedition with an international team of over 10 operators during the first quarter of 2025. QRV on all band using CW, SSB and digital modes. More to follow. https://www.dx-adventure.com/

XT, BURKINA FASO Antonio, I8KHC and the Mediterraneo Dx Club are planning a DXpedition as XT2MD between October 31 and November 11. A team with 14 skilled operators will be active with 5 stations non-stop from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via IK2VUC. https://www.mdxc.support/xt2md/

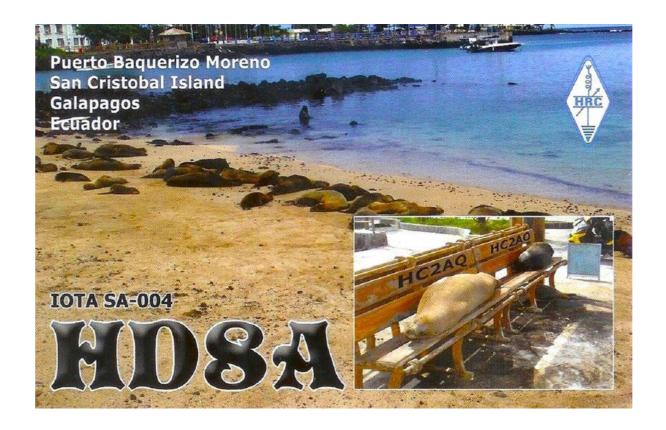
YJ, VANUATU Look for a team led by N4VGE to be active as YJ0VV between October 16-30. An entry in several contests is included. There are openings in the group for three to four more hams and their spouses. We are expecting excellent spring propagation for making European and North American contacts. Of course, the location will bring an abundance of Asian contacts as well. Antennas we plan on taking and erecting include parasitic phased verticals, BuddiHex Hexbeam, 160 Cable Help long wire, and 40-80 meter G5RV long wires.'

YN, NICARAGUA Robert, DL7VOA will be QRV from Guacalito de la Isla as YN5AO. Dates are still in planning phase due to COVID. Operation in 'holiday-style' with a focus on the low bands. QSL via Club Log OQRS. https://www.grz.com/db/YN5AO

ZD7, ST HELENA Oliver, W6NV will once again be QRV as ZD7W for the CQWW SSB and CQWW CW contest.

ZD9, TRISTAN DA CUNHA Lance, W7GJ will be active as ZD9GJ on a 6m EME DXpedition. QRV between August 23 and September 30.

ZK3, TOKELAU Hrane YT1AD and team YU3AA, RC9O and UA9OYL will be active from Tokelau end 2024 or beginning 2025. The reason is that New Zealand's State activities on the island of Tokelau during February and March, which have PRIORITY!



IOTA

THE REMINDERS

EUROPE

EU-040 Berlenga Grande Isl CT1END/p, CT2IFE/p, CS7AWH/p, CS7AWL/p and CS7BEK/p will be active as CS5POTA on July 19-20. QRV from 80 to 2 meter using SSB, FM and digital modes. QSL for CS5POTA via CT1REP, others via home calls.

EU-118 Flannan Isl A team of five UK ops will attempt to activate MM0UKI from the Flannan Islands EU-118 in August. The uninhabited island group is 20 miles (32km) west of the Isle of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides. It is 6th 'most wanted' IOTA in Europe and 2nd in the UK (after Rockall). The team consists of Rockall DXpedition veteran Nobby G0VJG, John G4IRN, Paul G4PVM, Mike GM5AUG and Jamie M0SDV. The ferry tickets have been booked from Ullapool (mainland Scotland) to Lewis and a private charter boat will take the team to Flannan. The trip is weather dependent – departure to the island is planned for 1st August, with the 2nd being a contingency day. Activity will be on 40m to 6m SSB and CW from three stations and will continue until the first available weather window for departure on 4th August or thereafter. **EU-138 Senoren Isl** Members of EDR Ballerop will be active as SM/OV2E between July 25 and July 29. An entry in the IOTA contest is included, activity on HF and perhaps 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via Club Log, LoTW or via OZ0J for bureau or direct. Log upload and live depend on the internet connection.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-220 Maniitsoq Isl Joe, OZ0J will once again be QRV as OX0J from September 13 until September 22. Activity from 40 to 10 meter depending on free space for antennas. QSL via Club Log OQRS (prefer), LoTW or H/C. Joe will try to participate in the SAC CW on ONE band only if condx are good, and will also operate on CW, SSB and FT8 (mostly Fox/Hound) before SAC CW. Depends on local weather, he will put up the antennas on 13 September and take down on 22 September. Club Log Live Stream will be added if the Internet connection is stable. Information will be updated continuously here (and DX-World).

OCEANIA

OC-063 Mangareva Isl Bill, G0VDE will be operating as FO/call during September 17-21. Activity from 80 to 10 meter using SSB, FT8 and some CW. QSL info to follow. OC-144 Ketawai Isl Look for 7E4K between July 23 and July 29, the Bangka Belitung team members will be QRV during the IOTA contest as 7E4C, outside the contest as 7E4K. QSL via LoTW, or via YE4FNN bureau or direct.

OC-144 Mendanau Isl Irfan, YE4IJ and team will be operating as 7E4M during September 14-

16. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using all modes + VHF/UHF satellite, FM and SSTV.

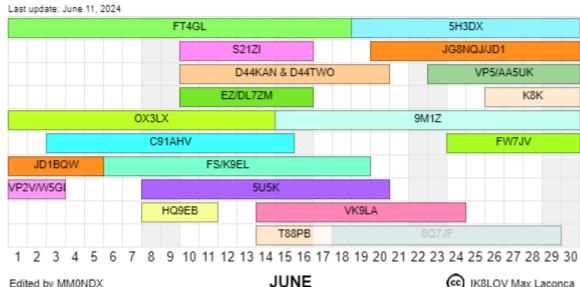


To celebrate 60 years since the founding of the IOTA programme, an anniversary dinner will be organized on Friday, 28 June 2024 between 19:00 and 23:00, at the V2O Bio Restaurant in the Zeppelin Museum, Friedrichshafen. The event offers an opportunity for chasers and activators to share time together, chatting about topics of common interest, such as past and future expeditions, technology trends, and goals - [read more here]

*HAM RADIO 2024: From June 28 to 30, everything will revolve around amateur radio in Friedrichshafen on Lake Constance. In cooperation with the organizers, the DARC, as the conceptual sponsor of Europe's largest amateur radio trade fair, this meeting will open the doors to a world of almost unlimited possibilities. This big, wide world plays a significant role in the motto of HAM RADIO 2024: We celebrate 60 years of IOTA - Islands On The Air - [read more <u>here</u>]

DXCC Timeline





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Special calls

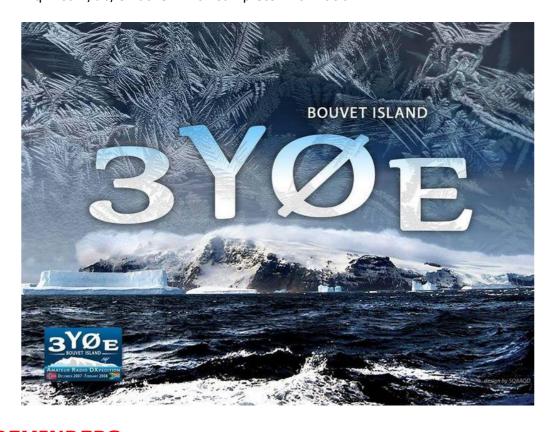
THE NEWCOMERS

F, FRANCE Special event station **TM510G** will be active on 23-30 June as the Paris 2024 Olympic Torch Relay passes through the French Department of Marne. It will be followed by **TM51JO** (to be active from 26 July to 9 August during the Olympic Games), and by **TM51JP** (to be active from 28 August to 8 September during the Paralympic Games). QSL for the three special callsigns via F5JYD, direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX)

F, FRANCE Members of Radio-Club d'Esquerdes will be active as **TM62FLAM** from 29 June to 3 July. The special callsign marks the progress of the Olympic flame through French Department 62 on its way to Paris. They will also be active as **TM2024JO** from 27 July to 10 August during the Olympic Games. QSLs via the bureau to F5KAI. (TNX 425DX)

OZ, DENMARK Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the IOTA Programme, three special callsigns will be active on all bands and modes between 1 July and 31 August: **OZ60IOTA** will be used from mainland Denmark **5Q60IOTA**/# will used by residents on Danish islands **5P60IOTA**/# will be used during island DXpeditions The suffix appended to 5Q60IOTA and 5P60IOTA will indicate the IOTA group as follows: /0 = EU-030, /1 = EU-171, /2 = EU-172, /5 = EU-125, /8 = EU-088, /9 = EU-029. There will be an activity calendar on

https://www.supersaas.dk/schedule/EDR/OZ60IOTA. QSLs via Club Log's OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via OZ1ACB. A number of certificates will be available, see https://www.qrz.com/db/OZ60IOTA for complete information.



THE REMINDERS

9A, CROATIA Throughout 2024 Tom, 9A2AA will use **9A67AA** to mark his 67 years of activity on the amateur radio bands. QSL via home call. (TNX 425DX)

9A, CROATIA 9A100RKZ is the special callsign celebrating the 100th anniversary since Radioklub Zagreb was founded (24 March 1924). Look for activity <u>throughout 2024</u>. QSL via 9A1ADE. (TNX 42DX)

DL, GERMANY DM60IOTA celebrates the 60th anniversary of the IARU programme and plans to operate from all German IOTA references (EU-042, EU-047, EU-127, EU-057, EU-128, and EU-129). Exact dates are not known yet. (TNX DXNL). QSL via DL2VFR.

DL, GERMANY The following special event callsigns will be active <u>between June 14 and July 17</u> around the European Football Championship: **DL2024E**, **DL2024U**, **DL2024R**, **DL2024O**. Awards are also available: https://www.darc.de/der-club/referate/dx/sonderdiplome/. (TNX DXNL)

DL, GERMANY DP9GLHN is the special callsign that members of DARC's Ortsverband Norderney are using using until end 2024 to mark the 150th anniversary since the Norderney Island (EU-

- 047) lighthouse was put into service. QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)
- **DL, GERMANY** The following callsigns (special DOK 75LUFT) commemorate the Berlin Air Lift of 1948: **DLOGWW** for Gatow (British sector), **DLOTHF** (for Tempelhof, American sector), **DLOTXL** (Tegel, French sector). QRV between May 12 and June 24. An award is also available, see: https://ham-awards.de/index.php/75luft/. QSL only via LoTW, DCL, qrz.com; there will be no paper cards. An operating schedule is available here: https://www.darc.de/der-club/distrikte/l/ortsverbaende/33/75luft/ (TNX DXNL)
- **EI, IRELAND** Between 1 September and 31 August 2024 **EI4FOTA** will be active from all around Ireland including SOTA and POTA locations, UNESCO World Heritage Sites, lighthouses and IOTA islands. Apparently the first operation will be on 17-24 September from the Giant's Causeway which is in Northern Ireland (GI), though; then on 5-15 October from the Blasket Islands (EU-007). (TNX 425DX)
- **F, FRANCE** By the Landes 40 department, look for **TM40FO** <u>July 26 August 9</u> (Olympic games), **TM40IPC** <u>August 28 September 8</u> (International Paralympic Commitee).
- **F, FRANCE** Team **TM80DD** will be active on 1-16 June to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy (6 June 1944). They will operate SSB, CW and digital modes on all bands. QSL via F5JYD, direct or bureau. [TNX F5JYD]
- **F, FRANCE TM1000G** is the special call to celebrate 100 years of the first Olympic games in Paris. The first Olympic games occurred in Paris one century ago. QRV <u>from July 10 until August 10</u>. QSL via F5PYI.
- **F, FRANCE** Special callsign **TM83JO** is active on 26 July, when the flame ends its journey by lighting the Olympic cauldron at the Paris 2024 Opening Ceremony of. Look for activity on 80-6 metres SSB, CW and digital modes, as well as via QO-100. QSL via the bureau, LoTW, eQSL. (TNX 425DX)
- **F, FRANCE** For the 72nd year the Association des Radioamateurs de la Sarthe (F6KFI) will operate a special event station for the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Look for **TM24H** on 2-16 June, with activity on various bands and modes. QSL via F6KFI. (TNX 425DX)
- **FY, FRENCH GUIANA** Active during various dates in <u>July</u>, look for **TO60CSG** from French Guiana. This special event callsign is used to celebrate 60 years of Europe's Spaceport based in Kourou. More info here. LoTW uploads end of every month.
- **G, ENGLAND** Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings in Normandy (6 June 1944), members of the Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society will be active as **GB80DDAY** between 1 and 28 June, with a special focus of activity on 6 June. QSL via eQSL, or via M0OXO's OORS. (TNX 425DX)
- **G, ENGLAND** Joining Guglielmo Marconi's 150th anniversary celebrations, the Cornish Radio Amateur Club (GX4CRC) will be active as **GB150GM** from 27 April until 27 July. QSL via eQSL. This activity participates in the "Marconi 150 Award", organized by the Associazione Radioamatori Italiani (ARI) and the Coordinamento Stazioni Marconiane Italiane (CSMI) under the patronage of the Guglielmo Marconi Foundation. See IR2GMCL below. (TNX 425DX)
- **GI, IRELAND** Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings (6 June 1944), the Rushyhill Radio Society (MN0UGP) will be active as **GB8DDY** between 1 and 28 June. A certificate will be available, but QSL cards will not be provided see https://www.qrz.com/db/GB8DDY for information. (TNX 425DX)
- **GM, SCOTLAND** Look for **GB9DAT** to be active on 1-28 June on a variety of digital modes (including FT8, FT4, PSK, and RTTY, among others). This is a "special event station dedicated to advancing and promoting digital modes in amateur radio". QSL via Club Log's OQRS, or direct to MM0DFV. (TNX 425DX)
- **HB9, SWITZERLAND** Celebrating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi members of the USKA's Valais/Wallis Section are active as **HB150GM** <u>until December</u>. QSL via the bureau to HB9Y. (TNX DXNL)
- **HB9, SWITZERLAND** Special callsign **HB50VC** celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Radio Amateur Club Swissair (HB9VC) end 2024. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW; QSL cards will not be provided, but a certificate will be available for download:
- https://award.dl1run.de/award/hb50vc/awardform.html (TNX 425DX)
- HB9, SWITZERLAND Members of the Zurich City Police Radio Amateur Club (HB9SP) will be active as HB20SP throughout 2024 to celebrate their club's 20th anniversary. QSOs will be uploaded to LoTW, Club Log and qrz.com; do not send any card via the bureau. (TNX 42DX) I, ITALY Commemorating the 150th anniversary of the birth of Guglielmo Marconi, members of ARI's Board of Directors are active as IR2GMCL until July 27 during the "Marconi 150 Award". See https://www.qrz.com/db/IR2GMCL for the rules. Paper QSL cards will not be provided; electronic QSLs will be downloadable from the HamAward platform. (TNX 425DX)
- **I, ITALY** Members of ARI Venezia (IQ3VE) is active as **IR3POLO** <u>until June 30</u>. The special callsign commemorates the 700th anniversary since the death of Marco Polo, the Venetian

- merchant and explorer who travelled through Asia along the Silk Road (1271- 1295). All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau.
- I, ITALY Members of ARI Colli Albani (IQ0HV) will be active as II0LOR from 31 May to 30 June to mark the 80th anniversary of the Liberation of Rome (4 June 1944). QSL via I0KNQ. A certificate will be available, see https://www.qrz.com/db/II0LOR for information. (TNX 425DX)

 I, ITALY Celebrating Pesaro Capitale Italiana della Cultura (Italian Capital of Culture) 2024, members of ARI Pesaro and ARI Fano will be active as II6CIC from 1 June to 29 August. QSL via IQ6PS. (TNX 425DX)
- I, ITALY Throughout 2024 ARI Fidenza will use a series of special callsigns each representing a "keyword" that summarizes and characterizes the content of a sentence from one of Guglielmo Marconi's many public speeches: II4DETR (April), II4SEAS (May), II4RDFE (June), II4INNV (July), II4BFRE (August), II4OTSR (September), II4VISN (October), II4BTFU (November), II4FCGD (December). QSL via IQ4FE. Information about the "Discovering Marconi" award: http://www.arifidenza.it/.
- **LA, NORWAY** Look for **LA400KBG** <u>during 2024</u> to celebrate the 400^{th} anniversary since the establishment of the Kongsberg silver mines and the Kongsberg town in 1624. Operation on different bands and modes. QSL direct only via LA1TV. The silver rich area measures about 5 x 20 km, and the richest mine, called The King's Mine, was mined to a depth of 1076 meters. The mining lasted to 1958, and the total silver amount mined has been estimated to about 2000 tonnes. (TNX DXNL)
- **LZ, BULGARIA** Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP) will use six special 15allsigns <u>during 2024</u> to honour as many different Orthodox saints: **LZ44IZ** (<u>June</u>), **LZ302IT** (<u>July and August</u>), **LZ1515IW** (<u>September and October</u>), and **LZ311PA** (<u>November and December</u>). QSL via the bureau or direct to P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. Details on the "All Saints 2024 Award" can be found at https://www.lz1kcp.com/. (TNX 425DX)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE24BI** draws attention to Bad Ischl, European Capital of Culture 2024. QRV <u>until</u> the end of June. (TNX DXNL)
- **OE, AUSTRIA OE100RADIO** celebrates the centennial of radio broadcasting <u>during 2024</u>. (TNX DXNL)
- **OE, AUSTRIA** Sylvia, OE5YYN will be active as **OE20SOTA** between 1 May and 31 October to mark the 20th anniversary since Austria joined the Summits on the Air programme. A certificate will be available, see https://www.grz.com/db/OE20SOTA. (TNX 425DX)
- **ON, BELGIUM** Throughout 2024, the Radio Club de Liège (LGE) will be celebrating its 100th anniversary. To mark the occasion, the special call sign **OR100LGE** will be activated from 6m to 160m, mainly on FT8/FT4, CW and SSB. Livestream on Club Log.
- https://clublog.org/livestream/or100lge. QSL via LOTW, Club Log and e-qsl.
- **SM, SWEDEN SK100FRK** is the special callsign celebrating the 100 anniversary since Falu Radioklubb (SK4AO) was founded. Look for activity <u>during 2024</u>. A very special diploma will be available see https://www.qrz.com/db/SK100FRK. (TNX 42DX)
- **SM, SWEDEN SK50B** is the special callsign for members of the Botkyrka Radioamatorer to celebrate their club's golden jubilee <u>throughout 2024</u>. The club was founded on 18 January 1974. QSL via the bureau to SK0HB. (TNX 42DX)
- **SP, POLAND** Marking the 25th anniversary since Poland joined the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, special callsign **HF25NATO** will be active <u>from 1 May to 31 August</u>. A certificate will be available for download on https://hf25nato.spaward.pl. QSL via LoTW, or via Club Log's OQRS (only 100 "limited edition QSL cards" will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis. (TNX 425DX)
- **SP, POLAND** Special callsigns **SP900CPZ, 3Z1OTTON, HF1OTTON, SN1OTTON, SO1OTTON, SP1OTTON** and **SQ1OTTON** will be active <u>from 3 June to 2 July</u> to mark the 900th anniversary of the first mission to Pomerania undertaken by Otto, bishop of Bamberg. A certificate will be available, see https://sp1kze.pzk.org.pl/900.html#en for information.
- **SP, POLAND SN55DIG** is the special callsign that Adam, SQ9S will be using <u>until the end of the year</u> to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the Diplom Interessen Gruppe. All QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. See https://diplom-interessen-gruppe.info/ for information about the DIG. (TNX 425DX)
- **SP, POLAND** Celebrating the 65th anniversary of the SP DX Club, special callsigns **SP65S**, **SO65P, SN65D, HF65X** and **3Z65C** will be active on 1-16 June. A certificate will be available, complete information can be found on https://logsp.pzk.org.pl/a/spdxc/index.php. (TNX 425DX) **VK, AUSTRALIA** Celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Islands On The Air programme, special event callsign **VI60IOTA** will be in use across Australia during 2024: "whenever VI60IOTA is heard on the air", the organizers say, "it will be from one of the VK IOTA entities", including the main islands of Australia (OC-001) and Tasmania (OC- 007). QSOs will be made available for Club Log and LoTW Matching on the IOTA website; traditional QSLs via MOOXO's OQRS. (TNX 425DX)

VU, INDIA A number of special event stations will be active from Kargil, in the Indian Himalayan Region, to celebrate the 25th Kargil Vijay Diwas (Kargil Victory Day): 10-14 June **AT25KAR** QSL via VU2FI 25-30 June **AT25KVF** QSL via the bureau. (TNX 425DX)

VU, INDIA Jose, VU2JOS operates around the World Communications Day as **AU5J** <u>until June</u> <u>30</u>. QSL via home call. (TNX DXNL)

YU, SERBIA Organised radio amateurism in Serbia began with the founding of the "Society of Friends of Radio-Telegraphy and Radio-Telephony" on 15 July 1924 in Belgrade. Celebrating 100 years of Amateur Radio in the region, the Amateur Radio Union of Serbia (YU1SRS) are active as **YT100R** and **YU100R** until December. A certificate will be available: https://www.radiosport.yu1srs.org.rs/.